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Ms. Barbara Hansen
Environmental Protection Agency
1860 Lincoln Street
Denver, Colorado 80295-0699

Dear Ms. Hansen:

Pursuant your telephone request this afternoon, we are providing this letter clarifying that the berm around our salt/sand storage pile and a brattice cloth cover were installed on Tuesday, September 7, 1982. As stated in our September 2nd letter, we believe these measures will prevent further concentration of dissolved solids in our mine area sediment pond. The installation of the berm and brattice cloth may not be an appropriate long term solution to the problem but we believe it will provide significant improvements during the remainder of 1982. We have requested budget authority to build a concrete bin for the salt/sand storage in 1983. Such a bin would provide more permanent protection from high TDS levels in our minesite runoff as a result of precipitation.

Yours very truly,

Kerry A. Frame

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